



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes City Plan Commission

Monday, July 12, 2021

6:00 PM

South Side Neighborhood Center

CIP Public Hearing

City Staff highly encourages the public to submit any comments, concerns, questions, or support in writing ahead of the meeting to Tim Acklin at acklint@cityoflacrosse.org.

Call to Order

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Reynolds at 6:00PM.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - James Cherf, Scott Neumeister, Chris Kahlow, Paul Schoenfeld, Cassandra Woodward, Mitch Reynolds, Jennifer Trost
Excused: 2 - Randy Turtenwald, Elaine Yager

Approval of Minutes

1. [21-1034](#) Approval of the Minutes from June 28, 2021.

A motion was made by Woodward, seconded by Schoenfeld, that this Minutes be APPROVED . The motion carried by voice vote unanimously.

Agenda Items:

2. [21-0924](#) 2022-2026 Capital Improvement Program Budget

Attachments: [Draft 2022-2026 Capital Budget Summary - June 2021.pdf](#)
[CIPletterofsupport #551 Marsh Hydrological Study and Implementation.docx](#)
[CIPletterofsupport #733 La Crosse County Historical Society Museum Planning Studies.pdf](#)
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Valerie Fenske, Director of Finance and Treasurer, presented a Project Review of the CIP Request.

Motion on the following requests taken together at the end.

Council Member Slezniow requests addition of \$100,000 for street paving of roughly 100 yards of Milson Court and Quarry Road for consideration in the CIP budget.

Jacky Greschner, Director of Information Technology, requests item no.416, City Hall 5th Floor Remodel, move \$400,000 from 2022 to 2023 and add \$30,000 to 2022 for design fees.

Council Member Mindel requests the following two additions for consideration in the CIP budget:

1. \$50,000 to support Renew the Block Program, to cover physical infrastructure.
2. \$200,000 to complete the Weigent Park Shelter.

Planning Department requests the following amendments:

1. Item no. 733, La Crosse County Historical Society Museum Planning Studies, decrease amount from \$120,000 in 2022 to \$60,000. Additional \$60,000 in donations will remain the same. The total will be reduced from \$180,000 to \$120,000.
2. Remove item no.739, Hixon Forest Rehabilitation.
3. Item no. 682, Red Cloud Park Trail, amount will stay at \$50,000. At the City Plan Commission meeting on June 21, 2021, Planning requested the amount be raised to \$100,000. This request today will revert the item's amount back to the original amount of \$50,000.

Parks Department requests the removal of item no.699, Springbrook Park Lighting.

Motion made by Neumeister, seconded by Woodward, to approve the above amendments and additions for consideration in 2022-2026 CIP Budget. Motion passed by voice vote unanimously.

Motion made by Cherf, seconded by Neumeister, to open the Public Hearing. Motion passed by voice vote unanimously.

Council Member Richmond spoke in favor of moving forward with Fire Station No. 4.

Gary Padesky, Linda Lee, and Martha Linville spoke in support of the addition of Weigent Park Shelter item.

Greg Clark spoke in support of the addition of Weigent Park Shelter item, as well as support for item no.733, La Crosse County Historical Society Museum Planning Studies.

Chuck Lee spoke in support of item no.551, Marsh Hydrological Study & Implementation.

Kahya Fox and Kari Bradley spoke in support of the addition of Renew the Block item.

Peggy Devrick spoke in support of item no.733, La Crosse County Historical Society Museum Planning Studies.

Cathy Van Maren shared that the proposed CIP budget project should have a better focus on sustainability and reaching goals of carbon net-neutrality.

The Mayor also noted the letters of support that were added to the legislative file.

Motion made by Cherf, seconded by Schoenfeld, to close the Public Hearing. Motion passed by voice vote unanimously.

3. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be on Monday, July 19, 2021 at 6PM for an additional Public Hearing for the CIP.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Cherf, seconded by Neumeister. Meeting adjourned at 7:21PM.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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